

AIR FORCE FREQUENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

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SUMMARY OF REVISIONS

This directive updates the mission and assigned duties of the Air Force Management Agency (AFFMA).

1. Mission: The AFFMA serves as the Air Force executive agent for implementing Air Force use of the radio frequency (RF) spectrum. AFFMA develops procedures to implement Air Force use of the RF spectrum on a national, international, and government-to-government basis under the purview of established rules and regulations as well as multinational and bilateral agreements. AFFMA also represents, advocates, and defends Air Force RF spectrum requirements, technical interests, and policy matters.

2. Command: The AFFMA Commander:

- 2.1. Reports to Headquarters United States Air Force (HQ USAF), Deputy Chief of Staff, Communications and Information (HQ USAF/SC).
- 2.2. Commands the Air Force forces of the AFFMA, as a field operating agency. Works directly under the jurisdiction of HQ USAF/SC who provides technical direction and guidance. Direct communication is authorized between the AFFMA Commander, staff, and official federal government and private sector agencies when related to tasks for which AFFMA is responsible. HQ USAF/SC will review and approve adjustments in AFFMA responsibilities.

3. Responsibilities. AFFMA Commander:

- 3.1. Develops and implements Air Force RF spectrum management policy in support of mission accomplishment and makes sure it is responsive to Air Force spectrum needs.
- 3.2. Monitors RF spectrum developments from the international, national, and Department of Defense (DoD) perspective. Evaluates impact on Air Force plans and operations as well as research, development, test, and evaluation (RDT&E); acquisition; and modification efforts for RF spectrum-dependent systems.
- 3.3. Makes sure Air Force RF spectrum-use policies and procedures are compatible with national and international telecommunications policy.
- 3.4. Makes sure federal, DoD, and Air Force RF spectrum management plans and programs are responsive to Air Force needs.
- 3.5. Provides RF spectrum-engineering guidance to the Air Force acquisition, RDT&E, logistics, and operational communities concerning Air Force RF spectrum-dependent systems.
- 3.6. Provides RF spectrum management procedural and policy guidance to major commands and field activities.
- 3.7. Develops the Air Force RF spectrum management C4 systems architecture in coordination with HQ USAF/SCT.
- 3.8. Represents, advocates, and defends Air Force RF spectrum interests concerning a wide variety of RF spectrum issues in DoD, national, and international committees, groups, and organizations addressing management matters including, but not limited to:
- 3.8.1. Air Force member of the Interdepartment Radio Advisory Committee of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA).
- 3.8.2. Air Force member of the United States Military Communications-Electronics Board Frequency Panel (FP).

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- 3.8.3. Air Force member of the FP of the Combined Communications-Electronics Board.
- 3.8.4. Air Force member of the United States delegation to World Radiocommunication Conferences held by the International Telecommunications Union.
- 3.9. Serves as the Air Force RF spectrum management liaison with the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.
- 3.10. Serves as the Air Force focal point for input of data into the DoD Frequency Resource Record System, the NTIA Government Master File, and the International Frequency List of the Radiocommunication Bureau.
- 3.11. Serves as the office of primary responsibility for the Air Force Electromagnetic Environmental Effects Program.
- 3.12. Coordinates spectrum management actions to resolve Air Force RF interference problems.
- 3.13. Provides functional guidance to Air Force-sponsored DoD Area Frequency Coordinators (AFC). Serves as the DoD AFC for the Eastern United States (US) for certain frequency bands.
- 3.14. Provides frequency support for the US Strategic Command, US Special Operations Command, US Space Command, US Transportation Command, and Defense Mapping Agency.
- 3.15. Assists the Air Force officer and enlisted spectrum management career field manager (HQ USAF/SC).

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